

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

Claims 1-14 are pending in this application. Claims 1, and 4-7 are under examination. Claims 8-14 are withdrawn from consideration at this time. Claims 2 and 3 are cancelled.

Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

The Examiner issued a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment on 21 July 2004, citing the absence of Claims 8-14 from the listing of the claims.

In response to the Notice, Applicant herein submits a replacement listing of the claims. The enclosed listing includes the current amendments to the claims as previously submitted on 7 July 2004 and the withdrawn claims 8-14.

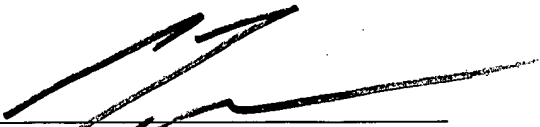
Applicant requests entry of the amendments presented herein. Applicant also requests examination of the application in view of the amendments and in view of the remarks presented on 7 July 2004.

CONDITIONAL PETITION

Applicant hereby makes a Conditional Petition for any relief available to correct any defect in connection with this filing, or any defect remaining in this application after this filing. The Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account 13-2755 for the petition fee and any other fee(s) required to effect this Conditional Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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